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October 1, 2013

Buehne Farms, Inc. 8606 Main Street Breese, IL 62230

Re: Buehne Farms, Inc.

NPDES No. ILA010105 Notice of Incompleteness

Gentlemen:

The application and supporting documents for the NPDES Permit, received on August 1, 2013, for the above referenced project has been reviewed and deemed an incomplete submission for the purpose of review towards issuance of an NPDES permit. The following specific information and documentation are required to be submitted within the designated time frame below in order that we may continue our review.

- 1. Please resubmit NPDES Forms 1 and 2B with signatures of the owner/operator. Wade Meteer has signed these forms in error.
- 2. Please provide verification that stormwater not contaminated by livestock waste is diverted from the livestock handling facility. Also, demonstrate that precipitation landing on the feedlot or waste handling facilities is not discharged to Waters of the State as required by Special Condition 3.c. of the General NPDES Permit.
- 3. Please provide details on where mortalities are contained, and the best management practices utilized to prevent stormwater from being contaminated by the deceased animals. The plan states that animals are rendered and composted, but no information was submitted on storage prior to these activities.
- 4. Please submit the design and construction plans, and operational and maintenance practice plans for the construction activities planned in this application, specifically, the curbing and drainage for the concrete pad and gutter placement on buildings.
- 5. Please provide the soil analysis for the missing land application fields and revise your CNMP accordingly.
- 6. Please provide calculations for nutrient loss due to animal waste storage, and revise your CNMP accordingly.
- 7. Please provide the process to supply off-site manure receivers to have proper manure analysis prior to application.

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- 8. Please state which application fields are in a 10 year floodplain, if any, as required by Special Condition 4.c.ix. of the General NPDES Permit.
- 9. Please submit signed consent agreements for all of the application fields.

The General CAFO NPDES Permit No. ILA01 can be found at the following web address: http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/permits/cafo/general-npdes-permit.pdf

Please provide a written response to the above items within 30 days of the date of this letter. Failure to submit a response that includes the requested information within the time period specified may cause the Permit Section to refer the facility to the compliance and enforcement programs, and could be cause for denial of your NPDES Permit. Include on all correspondence the above proposed NPDES permit number.

Upon receiving a written response including the requested information the Agency will continue review of the application. Should you have any questions or comments regarding the above, please contact Yacine Anane at (217) 782-3362 or at the above address.

Sincerely,

Yacine Anane

Environmental Protection Engineer, Facility Evaluation Unit

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